

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 360**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Timothy R. Whelan***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to licensing of liquor retailers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Whelan of Brewster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 360) of Timothy R. Whelan and others for legislation to authorize consolidated purchasing of alcoholic beverages by certain licensees. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to licensing of liquor retailers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 25A of Chapter 138 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 edition, is  
2 hereby amended by adding after paragraph (a) a new paragraph:

3 (c) An individual, partnership or corporation having identical ownership or common  
4 ownership that is granted, in the aggregate, two or more licenses under section 15 may combine  
5 the alcoholic beverages purchases of such licenses for the purpose of attaining a quantity  
6 discount offered by a wholesaler licensed under section 18. For the purpose of this section only  
7 “Common Ownership” is defined as the same person or the same partnership or corporation  
8 holding at least fifty-one (51%) percent ownership of two (2) or more licenses issued under  
9 section 15.